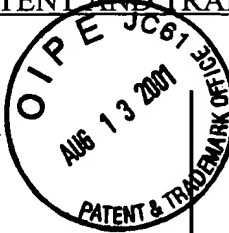


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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 13, 2001, Applicant requests that the
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In line 1 of the specification, on page 1, please insert the word - reissue - after the
word "continuation". This amendment is made to clarify that the present application is a
continuation reissue application pursuant to MPEP § 1451.